

08-402 Corrections Services - Louisiana State Penitentiary

The Louisiana State Penitentiary (LSP), a maximum security facility, is located at Angola, on an isolated 18,000-acre site in the bend of the Mississippi River. It was opened in 1901 and today is the largest correctional facility in the south and one of the largest in the United States. Within LSP's boundaries are the 2,000-man Main Prison and four "outcamps," which are largely self-contained living units of various sizes. (In 1993, Camps A and H were closed as a result of violations cited by the State Fire Marshal and the prohibitive cost of repairing these old units.) The worst behaved, most violent inmates in the LSP population are placed in the court-approved Camp J Management Program. The LSP also houses Louisiana's death row and execution chamber. On the LSP grounds is a community of approximately 250 homes and 750 people (staff and family members), which is supported by a post office, community center, grocery store, and recreational facilities. The Louisiana State Penitentiary attained American Correctional Association accreditation in January 1994. The LSP was removed from court oversight on April 7, 1999.

The mission of the Louisiana State Penitentiary is to protect society from those individuals whose disrespect and violation of the law have caused them to be incarcerated as well as to assist offenders in becoming productive members of society by instilling the positive traits and values that are predominant in American society.

The goals of the Louisiana State Penitentiary are:

1. Maximize public safety through appropriate and effective custodial and supervisory programs.
2. Provide for the safety of correctional staff and inmates by maintaining an organized and disciplined system of operations that promotes stability in institutional and field operations.
3. Ensure that basic services relating to adequate food, clothing, medical care, and shelter are provided to the inmate population.
4. Provide an environment that enables behavior change by making rehabilitative opportunities available for inmates who demonstrate motivation for change and the desire to participate in rehabilitative programs.

The Louisiana State Penitentiary has four programs: Administration, Incarceration, Rehabilitation, and Health Services.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$72,175,630	\$77,301,256	\$77,397,738	\$82,047,229	\$79,945,631	\$2,547,893
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	4,937,568	6,254,571	6,254,571	6,454,571	6,454,571	200,000
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	380,863	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$77,494,061	\$83,555,827	\$83,652,309	\$88,501,800	\$86,400,202	\$2,747,893
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administration	\$4,650,712	\$8,789,776	\$8,789,776	\$10,662,970	\$8,829,763	\$39,987
Incarceration	58,848,468	60,318,017	60,414,499	62,877,096	61,071,187	656,688
Rehabilitation	542,487	648,906	648,906	684,804	650,529	1,623
Health Services	10,678,353	10,799,128	10,799,128	11,076,930	12,648,723	1,849,595
Auxiliary Account	2,774,041	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,200,000	3,200,000	200,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$77,494,061	\$83,555,827	\$83,652,309	\$88,501,800	\$86,400,202	\$2,747,893
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	1,781	1,786	1,786	1,786	1,789	3
Unclassified	18	20	20	20	17	(3)
TOTAL	1,799	1,806	1,806	1,806	1,806	0

This agency's recommended appropriation includes \$327,645 for short-term debt, including Lease Purchase agreements.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$6,645,045 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2000-2001 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2000-2001 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$3,008,241
Total	\$3,008,241